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§29.2275 Group.

A division of a type covering closely related grades based on certain characteristics which are usually related to stalk position, body, or the general quality of the tobacco. Groups in this type are Wrappers (A), Heavy Leaf (B), Thin Leaf (C), Lugs (X), Nondescript (N), and Scrap (S).

§29.2276 Injury.

Hurt or impairment from any cause except the fungous or bacterial diseases which attack tobacco in its cured state. (See Rule 16, § 29.2407.)

§29.2277 Leaf scrap.

A byproduct of unstemmed tobacco. Leaf scrap results from handling unstemmed tobacco and consists of tangled whole or broken leaves.

§29.2278 Leaf structure.

The cell development of a leaf as indicated by its porosity. (See chart, § 29.2351.)

§29.2279 Length.

The linear measurement of cured tobacco leaves from the butt of the midrib to the extreme tip.

§29.2280 Lot.

A pile, basket, bulk, or more than one bale, case, hogshead, tierce, package, or other definite package unit.

§29.2281 Maturity.

The degree of ripeness. (See chart, §29.2351.)

§ 29.2282 Mixed color or variegated (M).

Distinctly different colors of the type mingled together, or any leaf of which 20 percent or more of its surface is off brown, grayish, mottled, or bleached and does not blend with the normal colors of the type or group. (See Rule 17, §29.2408.)

§ 29.2283 Nested.

Any tobacco which has been loaded, packed, or arranged to conceal foreign matter or tobacco of inferior grade, quality, or condition. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§29.2284 No grade.

A designation applied to a lot of tobacco classified as nested, offtype, rework, semicured, or premature primings; tobacco that is damaged 20 percent or more, abnormally dirty, extremely wet or watered, contains foreign matter, or has an odor foreign to the type. (See Rule 22, §29.2413.)

§ 29.2285 Offtype.

Tobacco of distinctly different characteristics which cannot be classified as Fire-cured, U.S. Type 21. (See Rule 22, §29.2413.)

§ 29.2286 Oil.

A soft, semifluid constituent of to-bacco. (See chart, §29.2351.)

§ 29.2287 Order (case).

The state of tobacco with respect to its moisture content.

§ 29.2288 Package.

A hogshead, tierce, case, bale, or other securely enclosed parcel or bundle.

§29.2289 Packing.

A lot of tobacco consisting of a number of packages submitted as one definite unit for sampling or inspection. It is represented to contain the same kind of tobacco and has a common identification number or mark on each package.

§ 29.2290 Premature primings.

Ground leaves harvested before reaching complete growth and development. These leaves lack body and strength. (See Rule 22, §29.2413.)

§ 29.2291 Quality.

A division of a group or the second factor of a grade based on the relative degree of one or more elements of quality.

§ 29.2292 Resweated.

The condition of tobacco which has passed through a second fermentation under abnormally high temperatures or refermented with a relatively high percentage of moisture. Resweated includes tobacco which has been dipped